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## FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

**NOTE PREPARED:** Jan 13, 2013

BILL NUMBER: HB 1523 BILL AMENDED:

**SUBJECT:** Moped Operation and Licensing.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Smith M BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL IMPACT: Pending

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## **Summary of Legislation:** This bill has the following provisions:

- (1) Repeals the term "motorized bicycle" and replaces the term with "moped".
- (2) Authorizes the Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) to adopt rules concerning certificates of title for mopeds.
- (3) Provides that a moped operated on a highway must be registered with the BMV, with a registration fee equal to that of a motorcycle.
- (4) Provides that a moped is subject to county motor vehicle excise surtax and motor vehicle excise tax.
- (5) Requires that certain funds received from the registration of a moped be deposited in the Motorcycle Operator Safety Education Fund.
- (6) Provides that a moped may not be operated when carrying more persons than the moped is designed and equipped to carry.
- (7) Provides that a moped operated on a county highway must display a slow moving vehicle emblem.
- (8) Requires the operator of a moped to obey all applicable motor vehicle laws.
- (9) Provides that a moped must be operated in the right-hand lane, except when making a left-hand turn.
- (10) Creates a moped license, sets fees for the issuance and renewal of a moped license, and requires the operator of a moped to hold a moped license or another driver's license to operate a moped.
- (11) Specifies that a moped license may not be suspended or revoked for certain reasons and that a moped license may be issued after other driver's licenses have been suspended or revoked.
- (12) Requires a dealer who sells at least 12 mopeds a year to register as a dealer with the Secretary of State.
- (13) Requires the operator of a moped to have proof of financial responsibility in effect on the moped.
- (14) Requires certain individuals to file accident reports after an accident involving a moped.
- (15) Repeals the term "motor scooter", makes conforming changes, and makes technical corrections.

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(16) Repeals outdated language concerning a study topic of the joint study committee on transportation and infrastructure assessment and solutions.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2013.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** As of the above date, the fiscal analysis of this bill has not been completed. Please contact the Office of Fiscal and Management Analysis for an update of this fiscal impact statement.

**Explanation of State Revenues:** 

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** 

**Explanation of Local Revenues:** 

**State Agencies Affected:** 

**Local Agencies Affected:** 

**Information Sources:** 

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